

# ST ANDREW'S SPRING NEWS

Spring 2018

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'across the ages - a time for all'

## Good news for Easter!



### A VERY HAPPY EASTER - TO ALL OUR READERS!

Hopefully you'll already have received our Easter card, with details of the main events over the Easter weekend here at St Andrew's. The design (which you can see here too) was produced a few years ago by children at Eaton Primary School, as part of an R.E. project depicting the whole Easter story: there were images of Jesus betrayed, tried and crucified - and a stunning one of him risen from death again on Easter Day.

As part of our Year of Celebration, we're running the project again at the school - again with the support of local artist Martin Cottam. The 'Stations of the Cross', as they're called, will be on display at St Andrew's, from 16 March to 1 April. Do drop by to see them, and leave a note of appreciation and encouragement to the children!

There's so much more going on during the Year of Celebration that we've decided to give the rest of this newsletter over to telling you all about it!

But don't forget Easter - the greatest festival of them all. Come along and be inspired. In fact, come along to worship.

With my best wishes for Easter, and beyond - Phil Rodd (Vicar)

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and everything else at St Andrew's,  
visit our website: [www.standrewseaton.org.uk](http://www.standrewseaton.org.uk)

## Dates for Easter...

### 30 March - Good Friday

2pm 'Focus on the Cross'  
A quiet hour of readings, hymns and meditation.

### Saturday 31 March

#### 10am 'Easter Fun Day'

Join us on 'The Road to Easter'  
Craft activities, Easter egg hunt,  
finishing with an Easter service  
for all ages at 11.45am.

### 1 April - Easter Day

10am Easter Communion  
for all ages - refreshments and Easter  
egg hunt afterwards

#### 6.30pm 'Easter Praise'

an informal celebration  
to conclude Easter Day

## And throughout April...

### 'Easter Memory Tree'

Easter is a special time, a story of death, but also of new life! So it's a good time to remember those we've loved who have died.

So why not leave a tribute on the 'Memory Tree'? - just write a note on a leaf and add it to the tree, in the New Church throughout April -



and we'll remember your loved ones at the Memorial Service in the autumn.

### Celebration Café!

All ages are welcome to call in at the new 'Celebration Café' - Thursday afternoons 2.30-4.30pm, starting 5 April. Whether you want somewhere to catch up with friends (or make new ones!), or a place to stop off before or after the school run - we look forward to seeing you.

## 'COME AND JOIN IN!'

You may already have seen the bright pink banners outside the church, about this Year of Celebration.

It's been 700 years since the first known vicar of Eaton, and 25 years since the New Church was built - so there's lots to celebrate! So far, the party kicked off with an evening of food and games, followed by a visit from the Dean of Norwich Cathedral for a special service to officially get the celebrations underway.

There's also been a Quiz & Puds evening to raise funds for the new playground in Eaton, a Celebration Sing-Along, and a quilting exhibition!

Here are just some highlights of the upcoming events. Do come and join in - we hope to see you soon!

## First up – two events celebrating family life...

### Sunday 29 April, 5pm - 'A Celebration of Baptism'

For those of all ages who have been baptized ('christened' or 'dedicated') in church, their families and godparents. An opportunity to come together, to give thanks for God's goodness, and to think again about the promises made at baptism. Tea at 5pm; service at 6pm.



### Sunday 8 July, 5pm - 'A Celebration of Marriage'

For all who have been married - wherever you were married! Come and share news, photos, and give thanks for the years spent together - both the good times and hard times. Tea at 5pm; service at 6pm.



## Dates for the Diary for Spring and beyond...

### 'Musical Delights'

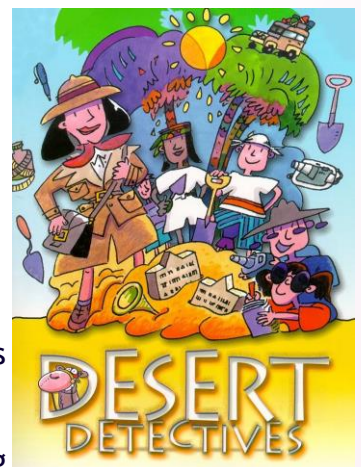
Sunday 15 April, 3pm  
The hugely popular Eaton Concert Series returns to St Andrew's, in this concert by acclaimed duo Andrew Storey (violin) and Viv McLean (piano).

### Summer Holiday Club

Join us for  
'Desert

Detectives'!  
Craft and games  
help us as we  
travel through  
the Bible looking

for clues to help us discover  
God's big plan for the world.  
30 July - 3 August, 9.30am - 12 noon  
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### Future dates...

Over the Summer there are even more events to help the celebrations along!

Don't miss:

- 9 June - Summer Fayre
  - 17 June - Service of Celebration with the Bishop of Norwich
  - 26 June - Fun Day at Eaton Park
- Look out for more details nearer the time...

## FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

To keep track of events throughout the year, and to see more of what's happening in your local church, you can find us on the internet at [www.standrewseaton.org.uk](http://www.standrewseaton.org.uk), and on Facebook - search for 'St Andrews Eaton' - (don't forget to 'like' the page to receive updates.)



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